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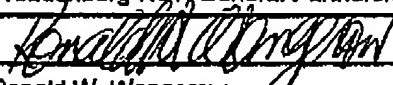
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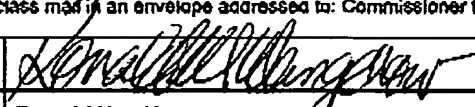
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Filing Date: 2/4/2004  
Applicant: Edward H. Park et al.  
Group Art Unit: 1711  
Examiner: Nathan M. Nutter  
Title: Peroxide Cured Fluorocarbon Elastomer Compositions  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 6, 2005, for which the Examiner set a one month due date for response, making this response timely filed as of today's date.

**Restriction/Election Requirement**

The Examiner subjected the pending claims (1-49) to a Restriction Requirement, stating that the claims as filed are drawn to five distinct inventions, and has thus grouped the claims accordingly: Group I comprised of Claims 1-14, Group II comprised of Claims 15-23, Group III comprised of Claims 24-33, Group IV comprised of Claims 34-38, and Group V comprised of Claims 39-49. The Examiner has required Applicants to elect one of the five Groups for which to continue prosecution in this case.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby elect to continue the prosecution of the claims of Group I (Claims 1-14), and hereby cancel the claims of Groups II through V (Claims 15-49). This election is made with traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to continue prosecution of any or all of the claims of Groups II through V (Claims 15-49) in a Divisional application which will claim priority from the instant application.

#### CONCLUSION


It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this Response is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (734) 354-5445.

Respectfully submitted,

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